



County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Social Services

Bryce Yokomizo
Director

April 18, 2002

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: *Bryce Yokomizo*
Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: LEADER SYSTEM STATUS REPORT – (SYNOPSIS NO. 79)

On January 29, 2002, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, your Board instructed the Department of Public Social Services to provide a timeline of the proposed upgrades that are mandated by the State regarding the LEADER System. Since we are still in negotiations with the State on funding issues related to these upgrades, the proposed upgrades, start dates and timelines are still up in the air. However, our commitment is to have all work completed on these upgrades approximately twelve (12) months from the date all approvals are in place, including approval of the LEADER Agreement amendment by the State and Federal governments and your Board.

The anticipated upgrades are: Section 1931(b) Medi-Cal, Threshold Language Solution, Healthy Families, 250% Working Disabled Program, Continuous Eligibility for Children (CEC), Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) Program and One-Month Bridging Program.

The mandated Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) upgrade is funded separately from the above upgrades and will have a separate LEADER Agreement amendment to be approved by the State and Federal governments and your Board. We are working closely with Unisys Corporation and the State to resolve our remaining issues with EBT and to finalize the timeline for this project. We will report separately to the Board on this project/timeline.

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c: Chief Administrative Officer
Chief Information Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Clerk of the Board

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